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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 09-FEB-2004

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	66.5-82	69-72	72.02	26

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 07-Feb-04

	Current Week	Previous Week
BRO-FRY	155,047	157,658

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

71.00

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

70.99

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	215.00	1,360
BREASTS - B/S	188.50	5,487
BREASTS - WHOLE	97.50	1,457
THIGH MEAT - B/S	107.00	1,010
LEG QUARTERS	36.50	7,683
WINGS	119.00	2,979

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was fully steady to firm. Offerings remained light with small weight whole fryers short of needs. Trade interest was light to moderate. Retail movement was in a full range, mostly fair. Food service demand was mostly moderate, instances fairly good into sports bars and fast food promotions. Floor stocks were in close balance, instances short to fully adequate. Weights were desirable to occasionally light. Parts trade was mixed, best for wings and dark meat items. Supplies remained balanced to tight. Trade sentiment was steady to firm, mostly fully steady to firm on all items.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK OF FEBRUARY 06, 2004**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	61.50**	61.50**	61.00**	EASTERN REGION	58.70**	59.00**	58.50**
CENTRAL REGION	63.00	60.50**	59.00	CENTRAL REGION	59.00	57.80	57.00
WESTERN REGION	62.00**	62.00**	60.50**	WESTERN REGION	59.00**	59.00	57.00**

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 31-Jan-2004 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS

THOUSANDS

HEAD	150,873
AVG WT	5.26
LAST WEEK	147,528
SAME WK YR AGO	151,181
AVG WT	5.21
TO-DATE/2004	614,714
TO-DATE/2003	600,996

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS
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THOUSANDS

HEAD	1,571	2,295
AVG WT	15.19	36.68
LAST WEEK	1,736	2,454
SAME WK YR AGO	1,656	2,695
AVG WT	15.28	36.78
TO-DATE/2004	6,696	9,715
TO-DATE/2003	6,659	10,489

FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated

PRICE RANGE

WTD AVG

Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	135.00	135.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	201.00	201.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy		
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	132.00	132.00

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

PRICE RANGE

WTD AVG

112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy Round	421.01 449.50	426.06
168 3 Round, top inside round	132.00 149.60	145.11
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	478.00 488.00	481.31
Ground Beef 81%	93.00 120.00	106.19

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